

The Oregon Statesman

Weather forecast: Fair; moderate temperature; normal humidity; maximum temperature yesterday 83; minimum 53; river minus 1.8; atmosphere cloudy; wind north-west.

Everytime we think of that poem about Maud Muller and the meadow raking we wonder what she would be doing if she were here today.

SEVENTY-SEVENTH YEAR

SALEM, OREGON, THURSDAY MORNING, AUGUST 11, 1927

PRICE FIVE CENTS

GUTHRIE JOINED BY WEST COAST IN MANAGEMENT

New Plan of Operating Elsinore, Oregon and Grand Theaters Announced

EFFECTIVE AUGUST 19

No Change in Local Staff; Greater Movie Season Opens on Same Date as New Regime; Program Altered

Announcement was made to the Statesman yesterday from Portland by Geo. B. Guthrie, owner of the Elsinore, Oregon and Grand theaters in this city, that these three playhouses would be operated jointly by his and the West Coast Theaters, Inc., effective with the official opening of the West Coast greater movie season on August 19.

The announcement sets at rest a rumor current several weeks ago that Mr. Guthrie was considering selling or leasing the Elsinore theater to the West Coast people.

Management Unchanged
No change will be made in the local personnel of the theatres. J. W. Sullivan, who has been associated with Mr. Guthrie for the past month, will be retained as manager.

Service courtesy will be maintained, while many new innovations are planned. The wide acquaintance with the theatrical world which the West Coast organization has and its exceptional buying power, will enable residents of Salem to see the finest productions available.

Week's Run Planned
A new policy will be initiated at the Oregon, this theatre showing all of the super attractions for a week's run, the first of which will be "Beau Geste," a thrilling mystery of love, courage, self sacrifice and adventure in the French Foreign legion, starring Ronald Colman.

At the Elsinore, a change in program will be given three times a week, together with the Fanchon & Marco presentations on Sunday and Monday of each week. In keeping with the spirit of "super-shows," H. B. Franklin, president of West Coast Theaters, Inc., who will be associated with Mr. Guthrie, has arranged with Fanchon & Marco.

SCHOOL BUILDING NEARLY FINISHED

WILL BE READY FOR FINAL ACCEPTANCE SOON

Leslie Junior High Structure Ideally Situated; Space Economized

With only a few minor things yet to be done by contractors in the building, the new \$87,000 Leslie junior high school is rapidly being given the finishing touches, and will be ready for final acceptance by the school board in about two weeks, according to Lyle P. Bartholomew, architect who yesterday went through the building with the school board.

Located in the 13 acre Tuxedo Park, where the natural lay of the land is ideal for such a school, and in the future for a big athletic field in the natural amphitheatre behind the school, those who have inspected the nearly completed building in its setting are complimenting the school board on the wisdom of its choice.

The plan of the building is unique, being designed in a huge right angle, with the angle facing on Howard street, where Cottage terminates. The architects have accomplished the seemingly impossible, in that all sides of the building receive at least several hours of sunlight, even in the short winter days.

The building is of red brick, with a roof of genuine Bangor slate, making an attractive combination.

The interior has been planned by the architects, Charles D. James and Lyle P. Bartholomew, to provide the greatest economy of space, and at the same time to give every modern facility for the 600 students for which the building is built. In time, when two extra wings are added, the

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20 TONS BEANS DAILY OUTPUT

LOGANBERRIES STILL COMING FROM TILLAMOOK

Start Soon on Pears and Evergreens; Pear Price Offers \$50 a Ton

Not much doing in canneries and packing houses; but there are busy days just ahead.

At its 13th street plant, the Oregon Packing company is getting 20 tons a day of string beans. That's a pile of beans! May start the latter part of next week on pack of evergreen blackberries.

Hunt Bros. are running two days a week on Himalaya blackberries, and some evergreen blackberries. Will get very busy on pears around the 25th.

The Producers' cannery is getting some evergreens; running two or three days a week. Will get pears before long.

Starr cannery. Nothing doing. But will start on blackberries the first of the week. Are offering 3 cents a pound for evergreen blackberries. Making a good many contracts.

West Salem cannery. Will start on Bartlett pears the latter part of next week. Will pack what can be sold in evergreen blackberries.

Northwest cannery still using some loganberries. They come from Tillamook county. Will use pears, evergreens and prunes.

The Market Situation
Three cents is now for evergreen blackberries. But the main crop will be picked at that. Last year, price was 5c.

Offering \$50 for Bartlett pears for canning. Very good price, but a short crop.

Robert Paulus says most of the prunes will be picked here. But the California market is shot to pieces. They are offering 40's of California pack in 25 pound boxes at San Francisco at 6c a pound. That makes it about 4c for the grower. This is the lowest for years.

Raisins having a bad effect on the prune market. There is a carry-over of 100,000,000 to 200,000,000 pounds of raisins in California.

Mr. Paulus says the market for canned goods is fair now, excepting for evergreen blackberries. There is a carry over from last year's pack. But the Paulus cannery will commence in a few days packing evergreens, paying 3c a pound.

Green Prunes
Denney & Co. will ship 100 cars

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PARTIES MAY FUNCTION

Conventions Permitted to Nominate For Special Election

PORTLAND, Aug. 10.—(AP)—Conventions can be called by the democratic and republican congressional committees to nominate candidates for the office of representative of the third congressional district in the special election to be called by Governor Patterson.

Such is the formal and official opinion made by Attorney General I. H. VanWinkle to Governor Patterson.

The law, the attorney general says, authorizes the party congressional committees to meet and select a candidate and this candidate will be the only one on the ballot entitled to bear the party label.

With this legal opinion on which to proceed, it is expected that an elimination contest will be held to reduce the present large number in the race for the office held by the late Maurice E. Crumpacker.

Inasmuch, the attorney general said, as there can be no direct primary for the election, the direct primary law does not apply.

WILD MUSTANGS THIRST

Between 30,000 and 40,000 Horses Dying in Eastern Oregon

PORTLAND, Aug. 10.—(AP)—Between 30,000 and 40,000 wild mustang horses of eastern Oregon are dying of thirst in Deschutes and Crook counties, A. L. Cross, head of the state work of the Oregon Humane society, declared today. A dearth of water already has brought death to hundreds of the roaming mustangs, he said.

Plans to bring the horses to Portland for slaughter have been made by the humane society officers and N. J. Biggs, county judge of Prineville. A special session of the county court there will be held to authorize a roundup of the horses under the authority of the Strayer bill. The horses will be killed here and the meat shipped to Europe where it is highly prized.

AVIATION FIELD AGITATION HERE GAINS IMPETUS

Impending Visit of Col. Lindbergh and Plane Lends New Interest

STATE WILL COOPERATE

No Appropriation Likely But Use Of Fairgrounds Site Favored; Commercial Plane Visits Predicted

The silvery glint on the wings of Colonel Lindbergh's "Spirit of St. Louis," soon to be seen in Oregon, probably will lend a tremendous stimulus to the future of air navigation in this state, it is believed by local observers. And along with general interest in travel through the ozone, local enthusiasm for the establishment of a suitable aviation field here is experiencing its annual awakening.

The state fair board and the state board of forestry have offered their cooperation to city officials and local organizations in the event of a move to refurbish the fair grounds field. It is not likely, however, that the state would divert any funds for this purpose. Last year, Governor Walter M. Pierce, ardent aviation supporter, proposed to use funds to purchase 20 acres of ground just east of the present plot so as to enlarge the field. Apathy on the part of municipal groups at the time permitted the enterprise to fail. No funds would now be available, according to Henry

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PLAN APARTMENT HOUSE

R. C. Hallberg Secures Permit for Structure on Cottage

Another big apartment house will rise in Salem, at the corner of Ferry and S. Cottage, it was learned yesterday, with the application for a building permit at 173 S. Cottage, by R. C. Hallberg. The building will cost about \$87,500, and will be a four-story, reinforced concrete structure, with 27 completely modern apartments. The building is to be ready for occupancy about December 15. Mr. Hallberg announced yesterday. Already 15 of the apartments are said to be leased.

Construction of a \$2,750 one story dwelling at 1145 Norway street, for Dorothy I. Wilson, is also planned, yesterday's permits revealed.

NEW FIRM TAKES OVER PLAYHOUSE

FRED M. MILLS AND "JACK" MARTIN TAKE LEASE

Vaudeville Prologues And Other Specialties Planned, Announced

Fred M. Mills and John W. Martin announced Wednesday evening that they had secured a ten year lease on the Hollywood theater, Salem's first and only suburban playhouse, located on North Capitol street in the heart of the North Salem business district. Mr. Martin, who has had years of experience in the theatrical world and was for ten months manager of the Elsinore theater here, will be in charge.

The new firm will take over operation of the theater next Monday, August 15, and announces that in connection with the feature pictures, special prologues will be interspersed frequently into the programs, and other vaudeville acts will be secured. Mr. Martin will appear in the prologues as he did at the Elsinore.

It is also announced that an organization of wide reputation on the coast is coming to the Hollywood soon. In spite of all the additional attractions which will be announced from time to time, the admission prices will always remain at the same low figure that they have been in the past, Mr. Martin declared.

The Hollywood is Salem's newest theater and has enjoyed great popularity since its opening last spring. It is owned by J. N. Williamson, builder of a number of the business structures in the North Salem vicinity.

WILL PROTECT FLIERS

Navy Aircraft Tender and Carrier to Be Ready for Call

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Aug. 10.—(AP)—The United States navy aircraft carrier Langley and the aircraft tender Aroostook, with full steam up will be held in readiness in the harbor at noon Friday to steam to the assistance of aviators engaged in the Hawaiian air derby. Commander Karl F. Smith, chief of staff of the aircraft squadrons, battle fleet, announced today.

The Langley will carry two amphibian and four observation planes. The Aroostook will have two observation planes which will be used in conjunction with the Langley's planes in the search for possible Hawaiian fliers.

Orders have been issued to Commander John Towers, commander of the Langley and Commander Victor Herbster, commander of the Aroostook to be ready to sail on their rescue mission within an hour after receipt of news of misfortune to one or more of the Hawaiian derby fliers.

HOUSE GROUP COMING

Irrigation Committee to Inspect Columbia Basin Project

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BYLANDER ASKS NAME REMOVED

PORTLAND MAN HAS NEW IDEAS ABOUT LICENSE LAW

Also Submits New Proposal for Ballot Title to Initiate Income Tax

Asking that his name be withdrawn from initiative petitions filed recently looking toward reduction of motor vehicle license fees to \$5 a year and a state income tax, a letter from George Bylander of Portland was received at the offices of the secretary of state Wednesday.

The original petition seeking a reduction of motor vehicle license fees was initiated by Mr. Bylander and H. H. Stallard. This proposed measure provided for a flat fee of \$3 a year for all motor vehicles with the exception of trucks and busses. The income tax petition was initiated by the State Income Tax league, of which Mr. Stallard is president and Mr. Bylander secretary.

In connection with his request to withdraw from these petitions Mr. Bylander sent to the secretary of state a new initiative petition providing for reductions of the motor vehicle license fees and a state income tax. He has asked that these petitions be referred to the attorney general for ballot title.

The proposed initiative measure submitted by Mr. Bylander looking to a reduction of motor vehicle license fees provides that all pleasure cars weighing less than 3000 pounds shall pay an annual license of \$3. Cars weighing more than 3000 pounds would pay \$5 a year. Trucks and busses would pay the same as under the existing schedule.

The income tax measure sponsored by Mr. Bylander provides a rate of one per cent on the first \$9000 taxable income or any part thereof, with a rate of 10 per cent on all taxable income in excess of \$9000. Of the revenue received from the operation of the law administration costs and refunds would be limited to 40%.

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PARENTS PLEAD WITH GOVERNOR FOR SON'S LIFE

Attorney for Ellsworth Kelley Also Argues Against Death Penalty

PREMEDITATION DENIED

Honorable Wartime Service Cited by Martin J. Pipes in Connection With Request for Commuting Sentence

Urging commutation of sentence for Ellsworth Kelley, condemned to be hanged in the state penitentiary here August 19, Martin J. Pipes, Portland attorney, conferred with Governor Patterson here for more than an hour Wednesday. The death sentence was pronounced for the part Kelley played in the killing of John Sweeney, guard, during a break at the prison two years ago.

Attorney Pipes based his argument for commutation of the death penalty to life imprisonment on the grounds that there was no premeditation on the part of Kelley and his fellow convicts at the time of the break.

He also mentioned that Kelley had served in the American forces during the world war and had received an honorable discharge at the conclusion of the conflict.

Willis Not Mentioned
No mention was made during the conference of James Willis, who also is under death sentence for the part he played in the break.

Attorney Pipes was accompanied here by Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Kelley, parents of the convict. Mr. and Mrs. Kelley pleaded with Governor Patterson to commute the death sentence to life imprisonment.

TWO GUARDS KILLED

The break involving Kelley and Willis was one of the most sensational in the history of the Oregon prison. Two guards, Mr. Sweeney and Milton Holman, were killed, while another guard, Lute Savage, suffered gunshot wounds which compelled him to remain in a hospital for nearly a year.

Bert (Oregon) Jones, one of the convicts involved in the break, was killed by the guards, while Tom Murray, another convict, committed suicide following his capture and return to the prison.

Governor Patterson has indicated that he would not interfere in the sentences imposed by the courts.

BANDITS KILL PASTOR

Missouri Methodist Minister Slain While Guarding Safe

SOUTHWEST CITY, Mo., Aug. 10.—(AP)—The Rev. W. H. Hatfield, local pastor, and night watchman, whose body was found on the street here early today, is believed to have lost his life in defense of the safe in the People's State bank.

Authorities tonight were searching for four men who late last night drove a high speed truck and a sedan through the local tourist's park. Police believe they had planned to carry off the safe of the bank and were intercepted by the pastor-watchman before they entered the building. Mr. Hatfield's body was discovered in front of the bank. His revolver had not been fired.

Mr. Hatfield, who was about 55 years old, had been a Methodist preacher for more than 30 years.

TWO MEN FOUND SHOT

Double Murder Attributed to Group Chicago Gangsters

CHICAGO, Aug. 10.—(AP)—Another double murder tentatively was attributed today to Chicago gangland activities with the discovery on a county highway of bodies of two men who had been shot to death. They were not identified. Neither of the men was more than 30 years old.

Both were nattily attired and in the pockets of one was \$340, while the other had \$147 in his clothes. He also wore a diamond ring.

One of the victims carried a key to room 251 of a Chicago hotel. Two unidentified men found in the room, soon after the discovery of the crime, were held for investigation.

SOME OF SHIPS MAY BE BARRED

RAPID INSPECTION TO PREVENT "LAME DUCK" ENTRY

Oakland Airport Favored for Start in Preference to Mills Field

OAKLAND, CAL., Aug. 10.—(AP)—"Home made" equipment on planes entered in the \$35,000 Dole air race to Honolulu Friday will not meet with the approval of the starting committee, nor will untried devices be permitted. Frank A. Flynn, secretary of the National Aeronautical association in San Francisco, in charge of the race for the Dole committee said today.

The task of eliminating "lame duck" entrants proceeded today, but no decisions were announced by the department of commerce inspectors who have until subdivision tomorrow in which to approve a list for the Dole committee.

News of the crash of the mysterious monoplane at Point Loma which sent Lieutenants George Covell and R. S. Waggener to death today, sent a pall of sorrow over Oakland airport and Mills field, South San Francisco, where starters in the Dole race are gathered.

Federal inspectors were known to be adamant in their refusals to let down the barriers to entrants plans for getting off in the Dole race in planes containing features which invite failure.

Flynn said: "Better disappoint some starters than invite certain death by permitting them to go with equipment untested by experience."

The drift of sentiment towards Oakland airport was greater today and made several fliers who inclined toward Mills field, South San Francisco, willing to take their places in the starting line at Oakland airport rather than pioneer the shorter 5,700 foot runway at Mills field. Martin Jensen, Honolulu's hope, Art Goebel, Hollywood, and Jack Frost who will fly the San Francisco Examiner's monoplane all indicated a preference for Oakland.

Failure of the fliers to take advantage of Mills field resulted in a series of statements from municipal officials of San Francisco in which they defend the field contrary to the expressions of airmen who said besides the hazard of hills between the field and the Pacific ocean, there was a "down draft" and lateral winds

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COOLIDGE MAY YET RUN

Staunch Republican Says Cal Might Accept Under Pressure

KEYSTONE, E. D., AUG. 10.—(AP)—Unless another naval armament conference effects an agreement for the limitation of navy building, the next congress will insist upon an American navy comparable to that of Great Britain. Senator Fess, of Ohio, an administration stalwart, declared today on his way from the Rushmore memorial exercises to the summer White House.

He expressed his views as he jogged along astride a saddle horse together with a couple of newspaper correspondents following President Coolidge who also was riding a horse.

Mr. Coolidge, he said, is emphatic about his intention not to run for president in 1928 but the Ohio senator said he doubted that the president would decline to run if the nomination is forced upon him.

"Mr. Coolidge does not want to run," Senator Fess declared. "He is wholly sincere in wishing to retire at the end of his term. But I know of no man who could decline the duty of running for president if the nomination is tendered him by his party."

RATE BOOST PROTESTED

Irrigation Districts Oppose New Schedule for Power

A number of letters have been received at the state engineer's office here recently from irrigation districts in Eastern Oregon protesting against the proposed increase of power rates by the Idaho Power company.

It was alleged that the proposed rate increase would work a hardship on several irrigation districts which now obtain power for irrigation purposes from the Idaho Power company.

The letters were referred to the public service commission which will conduct a hearing on the application for increased power rates at Ontario later this month.

REPRIEVE ACCORDED RADICALS

Governor Fuller Grants Sacco and Vanzetti Respite Until Aug. 22nd

DEFENDS ACTION IN SHORT NOTE

Desires Courts Should Have Time to Consider Plea

SACCO SILENT

Has Nothing to Say When Notified of Stay; Vanzetti Says "Pleased"; Madeiros Gets New Lease on Life

BOSTON, AUG. 10.—(AP)—A respite to and including Monday, August 22, for Nicola Sacco, Bartolomeo Vanzetti and Cesestino Madeiros, was granted by Governor Alvan T. Fuller and the executive council tonight. The first announcement that this action had been taken was made at 11:24 p. m. by Warden William Hendry of the state prison, where preparations had been completed for the execution of the three men shortly after midnight.

A formal statement announcing the respite was given out by Governor Fuller at midnight. It said that the governor had recommended the twelve day respite and that the council had unanimously approved it.

At the same time statements by Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes of the United States supreme court, Judge George W. Anderson of the United States circuit court and Attorney General Arthur K. Reading were issued from the governor's office.

The governor's statement follows: "The courts of the commonwealth are actively engaged in the work of considering and deciding the various motions and petitions filed by the counsel in these cases. The courts themselves have no power to grant a respite."

Would Aid Courts
"To afford the courts an opportunity to complete the consideration of the proceedings now pending and render their decisions thereon, I have recommended to the council that they should be granted a respite of twelve days."

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FOG BANK FATAL TO NAVY FLYERS

LIEUTS COVELL, WAGGENER CRASH AT POINT LOMA

Plane of Pacific Flight Entries Burned, Victims Not Recognizable

SAN DIEGO, CAL., AUG. 10.—(AP)—Fate in the form of a fog which lay over the entrance to San Diego harbor early this morning eliminated Lieutenants George Covell and Richard W. Waggener, U. S. naval aviators, from possible winning of the San Francisco-Honolulu air race and sent the two fliers to their death against the bluffs of Point Loma.

Hopping off from the North Island naval air station in their Tremaine low wing monoplane at 7:18 o'clock for the Oakland airport, the two airmen less than 15 minutes later had crashed against the west side of Point Loma, and their plane lay a mass of burning wreckage at the foot of a gully.

Covell and Waggener, imprisoned in the cockpit of the plane did not have a chance to escape as the plane rolled over and over down the side of the hill. Both were caught in the wreckage and their bodies so badly charred that identification was made impossible only through personal artifacts in the pockets of their clothing.

Flames from the wreckage set fire to surrounding brush and a company of San Diego firemen was called to the scene to fight and Coroner S. G. Kelly joined

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